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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA OAKLAND DIVISION

Case No.: C 07-3987-CW

vs. David N. STILL, District Director, United States Citizenship & Immigration Services, Defendant

Plaintiff,

DECLARATION OF DMYTRO EDUARDOVICH VEROVKIN RE: MOTION FOR REVIEW OF CLERK'S TAXATION OF COSTS

I, DMYTRO EDUARDOVICH VEROVKIN, declare and state as follows:

- 1. That I am the Plaintiff in the above-entitled action and the prevailing party to whom costs were awarded by the Court;
- That after the judgment in my favor, I began to research the procedure for 2. recovering the costs so awarded. I was unclear as to the distinction between costs, expenses and fees. I read that motions for fees must not be filed before the period for appeal has run as the judgment cannot be considered final before such time.
- 3. I further understood that, as to bills of costs, the clerk cannot tax until the time for appeal has run. I therefore interpreted local rule 54-1(a) to allow 14 days after the entry of *final* judgment, which in this case where no appeal was brought would be 14 days from the expiration of the time allowed for a notice of appeal, or March 4, 2008, the same day I filed the Bill of Costs.

When I received notice that the clerk had disallowed my costs due to my misinterpretation of the Local Rules resulting in filing out of time, I brought a motion to review the clerk's determination or gain a waiver of the rule due to my error.

Signed this 21st day of March 2008, in Murrieta, California.

|/s/ | DMYTRO EDUARDOVICH VEROVKIN